



Lieutenant Colonel Byron G. Jorns District Engineer

Biography



Lieutenant Colonel Byron Jorns, a graduate of the United States Military Academy, was commissioned as an Armor Officer in May 1983.

Lieutenant Colonel Jorns took command of the Nashville District July 11. As the District Engineer, Lt. Col. Jorns will be responsible for directing all the water resource activities of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers throughout the Cumberland River Basin, and navigation and regulatory matters in the Tennessee River Basin, an area of more than 59,000 square miles. The Nashville District covers parts of seven states and employs nearly more than 800 federal workers in 60 offices, branches and sections.

Upon completion of the Armor Officer Basic Course, he was assigned to the 4-40th Armor Battalion, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Col., where he served as a tank platoon leader, battalion support platoon leader, and assistant brigade logistics officer. Upon receiving a branch transfer to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, he attended the Engineer Officer Advanced Course and was assigned as the Staff Engineer Officer to the 4th Transportation Command at Oberursel, Germany. He later served as an assistant battalion operations officer and company commander in the 317th Engineer Battalion (Mechanized) at Eschborn, Germany. Upon completion of his Master's of Science in Environmental Engineering degree from the University of Texas at Austin, he served as an environmental project manager with Seattle District, USACE.

Following completion of the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College, he was assigned to Fort Bragg, N.C., as a current-operations officer on the XVIII Airborne Corps staff and as the operations officer for the 27th Engineer Battalion (Airborne). He then served with New York District as a project officer at the West Point Area Office. Lt. Col. Jorns' most recent assignments include Director of Public Works at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and as an action officer with the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Staff Badge, the Senior Parachutist Badge and the Ranger Tab.